

# JUNE 21 NEWS QUIZ

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- No time limits for opening statements.
- Muted mics and no props on stage.
- Live audience questions.

## 2. What Are Putin's Terms for Ending the War?

- Immediate disarmament of Ukraine's military
- Withdrawal of all NATO forces from Eastern Europe
- Recognition of Russian control over annexed territories

## 3. What Did Pope Francis Say About Humor?

- It's okay to joke about God.
- It's okay to laugh, but not in a church
- Comedians shouldn't joke about God

## 4. What Are Bump Stocks?

- Accessories enhancing gun accuracy
- Components converting guns into grenade launchers
- A device allowing semi-automatic rifles to fire at a fully automatic rate

## 5. Which CEO Received the Largest Executive Pay Package in US History?

- Jeff Bezos
- Elon Musk
- Tim Cook

## 6. Which City Was the Most Expensive for Foreign Residents In 2024?

- Tokyo
- Hong Kong
- New York

## 7. Who Won the Most NBA Championships?

- Boston Celtics
- Los Angeles Lakers
- Chicago Bulls

## 8. How Old Was the European Championship's Youngest Player?

- 16 years and 57 days
- 17 years and 102 days
- 18 years and 50 days

## 9. Which Animated Film Had 2024's Highest Opening Weekend?

- Despicable Me 4
- Kung Fu Panda 4
- Inside Out 2

## 10. Which Titian Was Found at A Bus Stop?

- The Assumption of the Virgin
- Bacchus and Ariadne
- Rest on the Flight into Egypt

## 11. Who Was In the Brat Pack?

- Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin
- Will Ferrell, Owen Wilson, Ben Stiller
- Emilio Estevez, Judd Nelson

## 12. What Changed In "House of The Dragon" Season 2?

- Lannister family as the main characters
- A different theme music
- A new title sequence

# ANSWERS

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## 1. What Are Some Key Rules for The First Presidential Debate Between Joe Biden and Donald Trump in 2024?

- Candidates can have opening and closing statements without time limits.
- **Muted microphones to prevent interruptions, and no props allowed on stage.**
- The debate will include live audience questions throughout the event.

On June 15, 2024, [Biden and Trump's campaigns agreed to specific rules](#) for their upcoming debates. [CNN will host the first debate, scheduled for June 27, 2024.](#) It will feature [muted microphones to prevent interruptions and a ban on props](#) to ensure a focused and orderly discussion.

## 2. What Are Vladimir Putin's Terms for Ending the Ukraine War?

- Immediate disarmament of Ukraine's military
- Withdrawal of all NATO forces from Eastern Europe
- **Recognition of Russian control over annexed territories and lifting of Western sanctions**

During the [Ukraine Peace Summit in Switzerland from June 14-16, 2024](#), Vladimir Putin's terms to end the war included [the recognition of Russian control over the annexed territories and the lifting of Western sanctions](#). Western leaders rejected these demands and reiterated their commitment to Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity. The summit, [attended by global leaders but without Russian and Chinese representatives](#), focused on diplomatic and economic strategies to pressure Russia into ending the conflict.

### 3. When Meeting Comedians in June 2024, What Did Pope Francis Emphasize About Humor?

- It's okay to joke about God as long as it's not offensive.
- It's okay to laugh as long as it's not in a church.
- Comedians should only joke about religion but not about God

On June 14, 2024, [Pope Francis met with over 100 comedians](#), including [Stephen Colbert, Jimmy Fallon, Chris Rock, and Whoopi Goldberg](#), at the Vatican to discuss the role of humor in society and the church. During this unprecedented event, [Pope Francis emphasized that it's okay to joke about God](#), provided the humor is not offensive. His progressive message underscored the importance of laughter in promoting joy and unity, highlighting comedians' positive impact on society. The meeting was part of [a broader Vatican initiative to engage with cultural figures](#) and foster dialogue on social issues.

### 4. What Are Bump Stocks?

- Accessories that enhance handgun accuracy
- Components used to convert shotguns into grenade launchers
- **A device allowing semi-automatic rifles to fire at a fully automatic rate**

On June 14, 2024, the US Supreme Court [struck down the Trump-era ban on bump stocks](#), devices that [allow semi-automatic rifles to match the firing rate of fully automatic weapons](#). The ruling, decided by a narrow 5-4 vote, has significant implications for gun control laws in the United States. Initially [banned following the tragic Las Vegas shooting in 2017](#), bump stocks have been at the center of a heated debate over federal authority and public safety.

### 5. Which CEO Received the Largest Executive Pay Package in US History?

- Jeff Bezos
- **Elon Musk**
- Tim Cook

On June 14, 2024, Tesla shareholders [approved a monumental \\$44.9 billion pay package for Elon Musk](#), making it the [largest executive compensation plan in US history](#). This package was tied to achieving specific milestones.

### ***6. Which City Was the Most Expensive for Foreign Residents In 2024?***

- Tokyo
- **Hong Kong**
- New York

According to [Mercer's 2024 cost of living survey](#), Hong Kong was ranked as [the most expensive city for foreign residents](#). The survey, released in June 2024, considered a range of factors, including housing, transportation, food, and entertainment costs. Hong Kong's top ranking is primarily due to its high housing and rental prices and rising living costs. The city's economic landscape and currency fluctuations also contribute to its position.

### ***7. Which Team Has Won the Most Championships in NBA History?***

- **Boston Celtics**
- Los Angeles Lakers
- Chicago Bulls

The Boston Celtics have claimed [the most NBA championships in history](#). This feat came to pass when they [won their record 18th championship on Jun. 17, 2024](#), by defeating the Dallas Mavericks 106-88 in Game 5 of the NBA Finals. The Celtics, a powerhouse in the league, finally [surpassed the Los Angeles Lakers, who have 17 championships](#). The victory set an all-time record, cementing the Celtics' legacy as the NBA's most successful franchise.

### ***8. How Old Was the Youngest Player to Appear at A European Championship?***

- **16 years and 57 days**
- 17 years and 102 days
- 18 years and 50 days

On June 15, 2024, [Lamine Yamal made history by becoming the youngest player to appear in a European Championship match](#) at 16 years and 57 days, playing for Spain against Croatia. This match marked a significant milestone in [Yamal's rapidly evolving career](#), proving that sometimes, even teenagers can outshine seasoned professionals on the grand stage of European football.

### 9. Which Film Had the Highest Animated Movie Opening Weekend In 2024?

- Despicable Me 4
- Kung Fu Panda 4
- **Inside Out 2**

"[Inside Out 2](#)," released on June 14, 2024, set a record with its [\\$155 million opening weekend](#), making it [the year's highest opening for an animated film](#). Directed by Kelsey Mann and featuring [returning voice actors like Amy Poehler](#) and new characters like [Anxiety, voiced by Maya Hawke](#), the film received positive reviews for its emotional depth and humor. This success marked a significant comeback for Pixar, [whose recent films underperformed at the box office](#).

### 10. Which Titian Painting Was Found at A London Bus Stop?

- The Assumption of the Virgin
- Bacchus and Ariadne
- **Rest on the Flight into Egypt**

"The Rest on the Flight into Egypt," a [masterpiece by Titian dated 1510](#), is set to be auctioned at Christie's on July 2, 2024. This painting has a remarkable history, having been owned by notable figures such as the Duke of Hamilton and Archduke Leopold Wilhelm. It was stolen twice, [most recently in 1995 from the Longleat estate in Wiltshire](#). Most surprisingly, art detective [Charles Hill recovered it in 2002 at a London bus station](#). The painting, which exemplifies Titian's pioneering use of color and human form, is [expected to sell for between £15 million \(\\$19 million\) and £25 million \(\\$31.6 million\)](#), making it one of the most anticipated sales of 2024.

### 11. Which Group of Actors Was Nicknamed the Brat Pack?

- Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., Peter Lawford, Joey Bishop
- Will Ferrell, Owen Wilson, Ben Stiller, Vince Vaughn, Steve Carell
- **Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald, Judd Nelson, Ally Sheedy, Demi Moore, Rob Lowe, Andrew McCarthy**

The term "[Brat Pack](#)" was [coined by journalist David Blum in 1985](#), referring to a group of young actors known for their roles in iconic 1980s coming-of-age films like "The Breakfast Club" and "St. Elmo's Fire." This group included [Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald, Judd Nelson, Ally Sheedy, Demi Moore, Rob Lowe, and Andrew McCarthy](#). Despite their popularity, the label ultimately hindered their careers by typecasting them as lightweight actors. McCarthy explored the impact of this label in his [2024 documentary "Brats,"](#) highlighting its lasting effects on their professional lives. **Fun fact:** Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr., Peter Lawford, and Joey Bishop were members of [the Rat Pack](#). Will Ferrell, Owen Wilson, Ben Stiller, Vince Vaughn, and Steve Carell were part of the so-called [Frat Pack](#).

### 12. Which Significant Change Was Introduced In "House of The Dragon" Season 2?

- Introduction of the Lannister family as the main characters
- A different theme music
- **A new title sequence**

In "[House of the Dragon](#)" [season 2](#), a significant change was introduced with the [redesigned title sequence](#). This season's opening depicts a tapestry of Targaryen family history woven in real-time, replacing the first season's focus on a family tree visual. Despite the revamped visuals, the iconic "Game of Thrones" theme music by Ramin Djawadi remains unchanged.